



**State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

DATE: AUGUST 26, 2003

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED DIABLO VISTA DISTRICT OFFICE PROJECT

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has directed the preparation of and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines. DPR is the lead agency for the proposed project under CEQA.

Project Location: Petaluma Adobe State Historic Park
Sonoma County, California

Description of the Proposed Project:

The Department of Parks and Recreation (California State Parks) proposes to construct a District Office on the grounds of the Petaluma Adobe State Historic Park. The following is a summary of the proposed work:

- Install up to three buildings on permanent foundations, totaling approximately 6,720 square feet, to serve as primary office space, and a fourth building, approximately 900 square feet in size, that would serve as an operations warehouse.
- Construct a parking lot to accommodate 50 vehicles adjacent to the offices; lot would include three handicapped spaces, with one van-accessible. Total size: approximately 20,000 square feet. Install walkways from parking area(s) to building(s) and other complex facilities, totally approximately 700 square feet. Walkways would be ADA-compliant.
- Install a septic system (including leach field) and connect to structure(s).
- Extend waterline from existing park facilities or connect to Petaluma City water line at Adobe Road. Connect to existing electric and telephone service at property boundaries; services would be undergrounded. Install a pressure tank system, if necessary, to achieve adequate pressure for fire suppression and irrigation.
- Install one driveway, encroaching on Casa Grande Road, for ingress/egress to facilities.

Public Review Period:

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 30 days, beginning August 26, 2003. Questions regarding the project should be directed to Dave Nelson or Roy McNamee at (707) 938-1519.

Your views and comments on this project are welcomed. Written comments should be submitted no later than September 25, 2003, to the following address:

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Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration may be reviewed at the following locations during normal business hours:

Diablo Vista District Headquarters
California Department of Parks & Recreation
363 Third Street West
Sonoma, California 95476

Petaluma Regional Library
100 Fairgrounds Drive
Petaluma, California 94952

Sonoma Valley Regional Library
755 West Napa Street
Sonoma, California 95476

Northern Service Center
California Department of Parks & Recreation
One Capital Mall – Suite 410
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California State Parks Internet Site
http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=980